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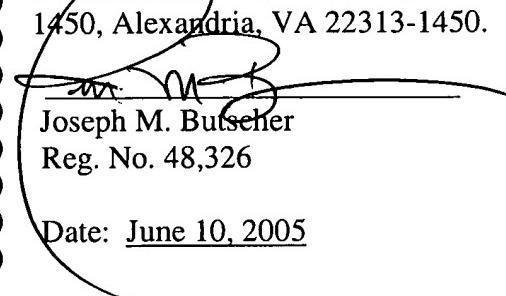
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Dear Sir:

The present Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2005. The Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims define patentable subject matter.